

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2009 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Clark VanBuskirk rang the bell to announce the start of the meeting. RINGING OF BELL
Mayor Bates called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. CALL TO ORDER
Roll call: Mayor Carl Bates, present, Aldermen John Boelkens, present, ROLL CALL
Nina Cooper, present, Diane Lego, present, Doug Bergren, present, Bill Sparboe, present, and Doris Bork, present.
Alderman Bork led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Reverend Robert Ziebarth, Mount Carroll Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Alderman Sparboe moved and Alderman Bork seconded to approve the MINUTES minutes of the November 24, 2009 regular meeting as presented by the clerk. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, yes, Bergren, yes, Sparboe, yes, and Bork, yes, Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bork seconded to authorize the ACCOUNTS PAYABLE the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of December 2009 as approved by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Cooper, yes, Lego, yes, Bergren, yes, Sparboe, yes, Bork, yes, and Boelkens, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank accounts balance was \$663,857.31 as FINANCIAL REPORT of today. Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Lego, yes, Bergren, yes, Sparboe, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, and Cooper, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

COMMITTEES

Alderman Sparboe reported of the December 8th finance committee meeting: FINANCE
1. Alderman Sparboe presented the finance committee recommendation HOLIDAY AD to approve the placement of a Holiday ad in the Mirror Democrat newspaper for this month at the cost of \$84.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Sparboe, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, and Lego, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.
2. The finance committee discussed how to set up a help fund to assist some of the water and sewer customers that are past due. The consensus was to look into this type of program and come up with guidelines for its use.
3. Clerk Cuckler would be presenting a TIF expense report for the next meeting.
4. Mr. Reid Law was in attendance and provided a letter of suggestions for ways to spend \$100,000 on sidewalk and road work.

Alderman Bergren, CCI/People for Progress committee, reported that they were putting together an update of the proposed park improvements to be incorporated in the City Comprehensive Plan. Once that was completed he would present it for council approval.

Mr. John Swiech, CDC, reported that the election of officers for the CDC was done. The same officers as before: Lou Schau, President; Dave Johnston, Vice-President; Gary Foltz, Secretary; and Scott Helms, Treasurer.

Mayor Bates reported the engineers would be attending the December 14th MSA committee meetings to provide the close out procedures with Loberg on the water improvements project.

Mayor Bates reported that the plans that were developed for the community house bathrooms would be very helpful in putting together the specifications to go through the bidding process. He stated he would be asking the CDC to present the bill for the expense incurred for this. He understood it was about \$500.

Mayor Bates reported that the International Building Code books were delivered to city hall for the council to consider a plan for adopting. He noted that the questions of enforcement and fees were going to need to be assessed. To start the review at the next license and ordinance meeting on December 14th at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to pass Ordinance No. ORDINANCE NO.
2009-12-5, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT. 2009-12-5

Roll call vote: Aldermen Sparboe, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2009-12-5 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. It was noted that this was for the expansion of the special use permit that Mitch Lamoreux has for 405 W. Cole Avenue.

Discussed the e-mail memo from Greg Miller the Carroll County Emergency Management Director. There was some National Incident Management System (NIMS) training that was coming up in January and February. To contact Mr. Miller about the training that the city employees and officials would need.

Alderman Sparboe moved and Alderman Boelkens seconded to adjourn ADJOURNMENT
the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, yes, Bergren, yes, and Sparboe, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the December 22, 2009 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector